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# Subpart A—General

#### §219.1 Purpose and scope.

- (a) The purpose of this part is to prevent accidents and casualties in railroad operations that result from impairment of employees by alcohol or drugs.
- (b) This part prescribes minimum Federal safety standards for control of alcohol and drug use. This part does not restrict a railroad from adopting and enforcing additional or more stringent requirements not inconsistent with this part.

# §219.3 Application.

- (a) General. Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, this part applies to-
- (1) Railroads that operate rolling equipment on standard gage track which is part of the general railroad system of transportation; and
- (2) Railroads that provide commuter or other short-haul rail passenger service in a metropolitan or suburban area (as described by 49 U.S.C. 20102) in the United States.
- (b) Exceptions available to both domestic and foreign railroads. (1) This part does not apply to a railroad that operates only on track inside an installation which is not part of the general railroad system of transportation.
- (2) Subparts D, E, F and G of this part do not apply to a railroad that-
- (i) Has a total of 15 or fewer employees who are covered by the hours of service laws at 49 U.S.C. 21103, 21104, or 21105, or who would be subject to the hours of service laws at 49 U.S.C. 21103, 21104, or 21105 if their services were performed in the United States: and
- (ii) Does not operate on the tracks in the United States of another railroad